

**In the Claims:**

Claims 1-29 (Canceled)

30. (Currently Amended) A rotary cutting tool for generating slots in die boards comprising:

a first cutting portion that is non-tapered and defining a first outer diameter, and a second cutting portion that is non-tapered and defining a second outer diameter extending from and coaxial with said first cutting portion;

said second cutting portion defining a generally cylindrical, outer peripheral surface; and wherein

each of said first and second cutting portions are defined in part by at least two helical cutting flutes extending longitudinally.

31. (Currently Amended) A rotary cutting tool as defined by claim 30 ~~wherein said first cutting portion defines a tapered section having a diameter that progressively decreases from said first outer diameter to said second outer diameter~~ further including a tapered portion interposed between the first cutting portion and the second cutting portion, the tapered portion having a diameter that progressively decreases from the first outer diameter to the second outer diameter.

32. (Previously Amended) A rotary cutting tool as defined by claim 30 wherein said first and second cutting portions are each generally cylindrical.

33. (Canceled)